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PROCUREMENT OF AIRCRAFT
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the latest status of procurement of 126 aircraft for Air Force;

(b) whether Air Craft manufacturers of several countries have submitted their proposals to the Government;

(c) if so,the details thereof;

(d) whether the proposals have been technically examined; and

(e) if so,the time by which the procurement is likely to be given final shape?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE(SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (e): A response to the Request For Proposal (RFP) relating to procurement of 126 aircraft for the Indian Air Force issued on 27.08.2007 has been received from six vendors.The technical evaluation of the proposal is presently underway.This will be followed by field trials and subsequently commercial negotiations culminating in conclusion of the contract after the approval of the competent authority.